

3 of interleaved converter circuits operating into a common  
4 load, comprising:

5 a plurality of pulse width modulators each controlling  
6 power switching devices of one of the plurality of  
7 interleaved converter circuits;

8 a feedback circuit responsive to a voltage across the  
9 common load;

10 control circuits for controlling the plurality of pulse  
11 width modulators responsive to the feedback circuit and a  
12 commanded output voltage, and for adjusting a nominal duty  
13 cycle of the plurality of interleaved converter circuits;

14 the plurality of pulse width modulators and the control  
15 circuits being in a single integrated circuit.

1 23. The DC to DC switching circuit of claim 22 further  
2 comprising a current sense circuit for balancing current in  
3 the plurality of interleaved converter circuits.

1 24. The DC to DC switching circuit of claim 22 further  
2 comprised of an integrator having an output responsive to  
3 the integral of an error signal, the error signal being  
4 responsive to the voltage across the common load and a  
5 desired voltage, the control circuits also being responsive  
6 to the output of integrator.

1 25. The DC to DC switching circuit of claim 24 wherein  
2 a time constant of the integrator is adjustable by the

3 selection of at least one component external to the  
4 integrated circuit.

1 26. The DC to DC switching circuit of claim 24 further  
2 comprised of a differentiator having an output responsive to  
3 the rate of change of the voltage across the common load,  
4 the control circuits also being responsive to the output of  
5 differentiator.

1 27. The DC to DC switching circuit of claim 26 wherein  
2 the time constant of the differentiator is adjustable by the  
3 selection of at least one component external to the  
4 integrated circuit.

1 28. The DC to DC switching circuit of claim 22 wherein  
2 the control circuits are also responsive to rapid decreases  
3 in the voltage across the common load to turn on the  
4 plurality of converter circuits independent of the phase of  
5 the plurality of pulse width modulators.

1 29. The DC to DC switching circuit of claim 28 wherein  
2 the control circuits are also responsive to rapid increases  
3 in the voltage across the common load to turn off the  
4 plurality of converter circuits independent of the phase of  
5 the plurality of pulse width modulators.

1        30. The DC to DC switching circuit of claim 22,  
2        wherein the plurality of pulse width modulators consist of a  
3        pair of pulse width modulators.

1        31. The DC to DC switching circuit of claim 22 wherein  
2        the feedback circuit is in the single integrated circuit.

1        32. A DC to DC switching circuit for controlling power  
2        switching devices in a DC to DC converter having a plurality  
3        of interleaved converter circuits operating into a common  
4        load, comprising:

5            a plurality of pulse width modulators each controlling  
6            power switching devices of one of the plurality of  
7            interleaved converter circuits;

8            a feedback circuit responsive to a voltage across the  
9            common load;

10           control circuits being responsive to the feedback  
11           circuit and a commanded output voltage to control a nominal  
12           duty cycle of the plurality of converter circuits, the  
13           control circuits also adjusting a relative duty of the  
14           plurality of converter circuits;

15           the plurality of pulse width modulators and the control  
16           circuits being in a single integrated circuit.

1        33. The DC to DC switching circuit of claim 32 further  
2        comprising:

3 current sense circuits, the control circuits being  
4 responsive to the current sense circuits to tend to minimize  
5 a difference of current between the plurality of interleaved  
6 converter circuits.

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1 34. The DC to DC switching circuit of claim 33 wherein  
2 the control circuits control the plurality of pulse width  
3 modulators.

1 35. The DC to DC switching circuit of claim 32 further  
2 comprising: an integrator having an output responsive to  
3 the integral of an error signal, the error signal being  
4 responsive to the voltage across the common load and a  
5 desired voltage.

1 36. The DC to DC switching circuit of claim 35,  
2 wherein the control circuits is also responsive to the  
3 output of integrator.

1 37. The DC to DC switching circuit of claim 35 wherein  
2 a time constant of the integrator is adjustable by the  
3 selection of at least one component external to the  
4 integrated circuit.

1 38. The DC to DC switching circuit of claim 35 further  
2 comprising a differentiator having an output responsive to a  
3 rate of change of the voltage across the common load, the

4 control circuits also being responsive to the output of  
5 differentiator.

1 39. The DC to DC switching circuit of claim 38 wherein  
2 a time constant of the differentiator is adjustable by the  
3 selection of at least one component external to the  
4 integrated circuit.

1 40. The DC to DC switching circuit of claim 32 wherein  
2 the control circuits are also responsive to rapid decreases  
3 in the voltage across the common load to turn on the  
4 plurality of converter circuits, independent of the phase of  
5 the plurality of pulse width modulators.

1 41. The DC to DC switching circuit of claim 32 wherein  
2 the control circuits are also responsive to rapid increases  
3 in the voltage across the common load to turn off the  
4 plurality of converter circuits, independent of the phase of  
5 the plurality of pulse width modulators.

1 42. The DC to DC switching circuit of claim 32,  
2 wherein the plurality of pulse width modulators consist of a  
3 pair of pulse width modulators.

1 43. The DC to DC switching circuit of claim 32 wherein  
2 the commanded output voltage is controllable through an  
3 input to the integrated circuit.

1        44. The DC to DC switching circuit of claim 32 wherein  
2        the feedback circuit is in the single integrated circuit.

1        45. A circuit in a DC to DC converter having a  
2        plurality of interleaved converter circuits operating into a  
3        common load, comprising:

4        a plurality of pulse width modulators each controlling  
5        power switching devices of one of the plurality of  
6        interleaved converter circuits;

7        control circuits for adjusting a nominal duty cycle of  
8        the plurality of interleaved converter circuits;

9        the plurality of pulse width modulators and the control  
10       circuits being in a single integrated circuit.

11       46. A DC to DC switching circuit for controlling power  
12       switching devices in a DC to DC converter having first and second  
13       interleaved converter circuits operating into a common load,  
14       comprising:

15       a first pulse width modulator controlling the power  
16       switching devices of the first converter circuit;

17       a second pulse width modulator controlling the power  
18       switching devices of the second converter circuit;

19       a feedback circuit responsive to the voltage across the  
20       common load;

21       control circuits for controlling the first and second pulse  
22       width modulators responsive to the feedback circuit;

